PACIFIC SCHOOL

"Prepare Him Room"
First Sunday in Advent, November 29, 1959

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In Memory

The Rev. T. C. Cocks, 76 retired Congregational Minister died at Atchison, Kansas on October 9. Mr. Cocks, born at Cambourne, Cornwall, England, came to America with his wife in 1920. He served Congregational churches at Muscotah, Longton and Centralia in Kansas. He retired from the Centralia Church in 1947 when he became blind. The Cockses then moved to Muscotah to be near their only child, Mrs. Francis Christ. Mrs. Cocks died in 1954. For several years Mr. Cocks has resided at a Nursing Home in Atchison.

Memorial esrvices held at the Muscotah Congregational Church on Oct. 11 were presided over by the Rev. J. Edward Robinson, assisted by Dr. L. M. Rymph, Rev. Richard Wentling and Rev. Arthur Jones.

Mrs. Edgar M.(Gabrielle)Leach a charter member of Fairmount Church, Wichita, died on September 30, in Portland, Oregon. Dr. L. M. Rymph officiated at the Memorial Service at Fairmount Church on October 6.

Happy New Year!

This is the last number of your 1959 subscription. Congregational Kansas runs by the calendar year, starting in January. Single subscriptions cost a dollar a year. By sending in one-fifth of your membership, you get the paper for fifty cents a year. We must have the new list by December 15. So, November is the month for your campaign for renewals and new subscribers. Good Luck!

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Going into the final stretch of 1959 reminds one of winter — you know, that time of year when kids leave open the doors they slam shut all summer!

"Resolved"

"I shall attend to my little errands
of love
Early this year
So that the brief days before
Christmas may be
Unhampered and clear
Of the fever of hurry. The breath
less rushing that I
Have known in the past
Shall not possess me. I shall be caln
in my soul
And ready at last
For Christmas, "the mass of Christ.'
I shall kneel
And call out His Name;
I shall take time to watch the
beautiful light
Of a candle's flame;
I shall have leisure — I shall go ou
alone
From my roof or my door;
I shall not miss the silver silenc
of the stars
As I have before;
And oh, perhaps if I stand very sti
And very long,
I shall hear what the clamor of livin
has kept from me —
The Angel's Song!"

—Anonymou

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"Sources of Gratitude"

I have just returned from a number of countries whose political leadership does not recognize the over-arching Providence of God. Nature is a conglomerant of molecules and atoms; Life an accident of evolution; Right and Justice are at the mercy of man's changing ambitions; and the Universe spins on aimlessly in infinite space. Yet there are experiences, insights, and longings, both on our side of the world and theirs, which atheism can not explain. To these ancient longings of the human spirit belongs the desire to give thanks, to express gratitude to the Creator of all things. Impoverished is the life that has not been enriched by gratitude.

What a joy it is to live in our century! To have the mind enriched by the ever new discoveries of science, to see the results in the field of the medical arts, to have one's life enriched by contact with the culture of strange and distant peoples! How impressed one is to return to America and see anew the endless ribbons of highway, the storehouses of bread, its daring architecture, its fertile fields of grain, the spires of its churches. How grateful, generous and humble we should be.

But there are other reasons for thanksgiving. Let us look within. There is the miracle of energy for work, supplied each day anew according to our needs. It is this mysterious supply of life that makes our work a joy and our life an adventure. Thank God for human energy.

Then, there is the blessing of sleep. The first half of my life was surrounded by so much uncertainty and danger that quiet rest was difficult to find, and when it came it was often interrupted by frightening scenes. Now, I too, have come into my rightful heritage — I can sleep and dream and be restored. Thank God for rest.

And what of our eyes to see? Not until we have thoughtfully watched a blind man grope his way across the street, to find his goal within a blackened world, can we realize the gift of sight. With it we can enter into the heart of Nature, the world of Man, the realm of books. Thank God for eyes to see.

Then, there is the ever-present evidence of kindness and compassion in the hearts of men, often in the strangest places of our world, a fact only too often crowded out by suspicion, misunderstanding, hate, and the cruelties of daily headlines. Thank God for kindness in the hearts of men.

And finally, there are the many nights when I must be late and find my children sound asleep; these choicest treasures of the earth. Then to steal a final kiss from their silent faces, and thus to close another day. Thank God for childhood's dreams.

—Rev. O. E. Bonny,

Important Dates

November 20-21: Christian Vocations Conference at Council Grove.

November 22: Fall meeting of Kansas United Student Fellowship at Topeka Central.

November 29: First Sunday in Advent.

December 1: Meeting of State Conference Program Committee at Great Bend.

December 6: Meeting Kansas Laymen's Fellowship Executive Committee, State parsonage, Topeka.

January 14: Family Life Committee Meeting — Conference Office.

January 15: Evangelism Committee Meeting — Topeka.

January 31 - February 7: Youth Week.

January 27-February 4: Mid-Winter Meeting at Buck Hill Falls, Penn.

February 15-17: Ministers' Convocation — Topeka.

April 17: Easter Sunday.

April 22-24: State Conference at Great Bend.

May 29 - June 4: First Junior Hi Camp.

June 5-11: Senior Camp.

June 12-18: Middler Camp.

June 19-25: Second Junior Hi Camp.

Assoication Laymen

The following laymen were elected as officers to assume leadership in April and serve for a two-year term.

Eastern Chairman is Col. L. B. Bender of Topeka First with Hamlin Miller from Onaga as Vice Chairman.

Western Chairman is Mr. Leonard Cutting of Lenora with Mr. Floyd Johnson of Downs as Vice Chairman.

Southern Chairman is Levi Zimmerman of White water; Vice Chairman, Lester Love of Partridge; Secretary, Paul Morris of Concord

Laymen Meet

The Second Midwestern Laymen's Regional Meeting was held on Sunday, October 11, 1959 at the Oak Park Arms Hotel, Oak Park, Illinois. The National President, Mr. William B. Smith, presided and a number of interesting subjects were presented and discussed.

Mr. Oz Black, president from Colorado, made a fine report on La Foret and a real interest was shown by many of the men present. The next La Foret Conference is scheduled for August 14-20, 1960.

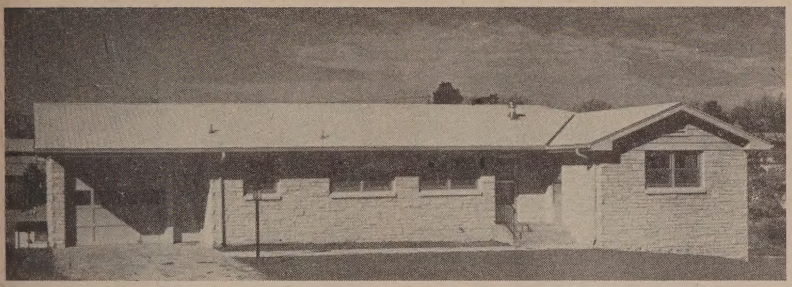
There was a lively discussion on the proposed constitution as it pertains to laymen. The discussion centered on the proposed division of representation among equal numbers of laywomen, laymen and ministers. Several of those present favored some different formula, but it finally developed that there was really no serious objection to the section as proposed.

Dr. Walter C. Giersbach reported on the "Wills Program" in a very clear, understandable manner. This appears to be a very fertile field for much-needed action on the part of our laymen.

The Rev. Mr. James E. Waery talked on "Stewardship", Mr. Cyrus Giddings on "Chicago Theological Seminary" and Mr. W. E. Peterson on his activities as Director. Mr George Aldrich reported on the status of "Off to Adventure" and it appears that Kansas is one of only three states which has completed its assignment in financing this project.

It was a most interesting experience to meet and talk with these men—the State Laymen's Fellowship president and National committee members.

—Charles Gunn reporting



MANHATTAN'S NEW PARSONAGE
On Canfield Drive

The Parsonage

When Ministers, or more especially minister's wives, get together, the subject of parsonages often enters into the conversation. During the past year this subject has been given special consideration by several Kansas congregations in the construction of three new lovely homes to house ministers' families.

Manhattan Dedication

The beautiful home recently completed at Manhattan, at a cost of almost $33,000.00, including lots, will be dedicated at fitting services on Sunday afternoon, November 15. The idea of a new parsonage grew out of the appointment of a committee in January 1957 to study the long range needs of the church. This committee of 12 resulting from the Rev. Wm. F. Keeney's annual report decided that a new parsonage was the most urgent need. Not finding a suitable house already built, the church voted last November to purchase a lot and build.

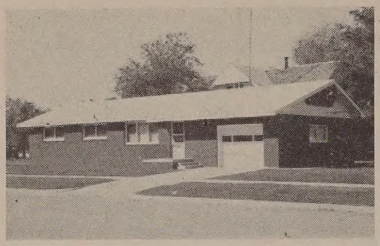
The stone structure has a full basement, four bedrooms, two and one-half baths and two fireplaces. The Johnson family moved from 710 Poyntz early in October. Participating in the dedication, besides the minister's family will be Dr. C. M. Correll, Mr. Harold Munger — Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Howard Bigbee—Dedication Chairman, and Dr. L. M. Rymph.

Towanda Parsonage

On Sunday afternoon, October 25, the new three bedroom parsonage at Towanda was dedicated with a special service at the church and Open House at the new parsonage. Mr. Orval Clark, Chairman of the Board of Trustees gave recognition to the many individuals and groups who gave hours of volunteer labor and other contributions to make the building possible. The Women's Fellowship furnished drapes throughout. Superintendent Rymph led in the act of dedication. The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Waters and their three children find the new home a source of great joy.

Anthony Dedication

On October 7 at 7:30 in the evening, a special service was conducted in the basement of the new parsonage recently finished at Anthony. More than 100 people attended the service. Participating were the Rev. Harald Wisegarver, new minister; Mayor George Bush; Roy Allensworth — designer and builder; Lawrence Parsons, Floyd Hayter, Mrs. Clarence Hoopes, Leon Cox and Dr. L. M. Rymph.



Anthony Parsonage

Following the basement service, Mrs. Wisegarver, assisted by the women of the church, served refreshments as guests toured the new six-room brick structure. The new home 64 by 28 feet including garage, was erected at a cost of $20,000. Landscaping is yet to be added.

Around the Associations

This year it rained before, during and after all the Association meetings, except Southern. But the rain did not dampen the enthusiasm or cut the attendance. Rev. Gifford Towle certainly pictured the needs of rural India in a warm and vivid manner. He was assisted in Eastern and Southern by Miss Lillian Picken who gave 40 years as a missionary in the same area in India. Miss Alice Huggins made us want to become informed about Our Christion World Mission. The greetings of our Conference Moderator, Charles Armstrong were fittingly climaxed by his wife, Ann, in her forceful recitation of the new Statement of Faith. The present status of the United Church was accurately given by the Rev. Ned Burr McKenney. Conference Concerns were presented as a challenge by the various Committee representatives. At Eastern the Rev. Oscar Bonny reported on his recent visit to Russia.

New officers elected will take over at the close of the State Conference sessions in April. Eastern accepted the invitation to meet next fall at Leavenworth with the Rev. Robert Baker as host. The new Moderator will be Rev. Juilan Johnson; Assistant Moderator - Mrs. Hervey Quisenberry of Tonganoxie; Registrar - Rev. W. S. Stevenson; Board Member - Mr. Craig Bachman of Centralia.

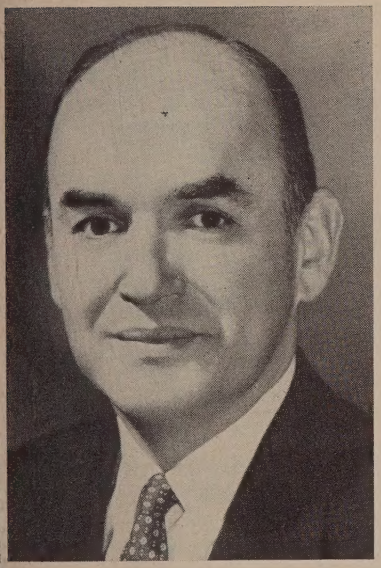
Western will meet next fall at Stockton with the Rev. O. T. Meador and his people. Moderator - Mrs. Ralph Ewing; Assistant Moderator - Rev. O. T. Meador; Registrar - Rev. Malcolm White. Rev. Ed Brantz was appointed to the board for the unexpired term of Rev. Dan Tyson; Mr. Dan Hopkins for a three-year term on the Board of Trustees.

Southern chose Mr. Al Miville as President and Mrs. Hazel Strouse of Little River as Vice President with the Rev. Elmo Paff continuing as Secretary. Dr. George Ogden Kirk was appointed for a three-year term to the Conference Board of Trustees. The 1960 meeting will be held at Independence with the Rev. Paxton Smith as host.

Turpin Installation

On November first, the Rev. Francis Turpin was installed as Minister of the Congregational Church at Gaylord. The sermon was brought by the Rev. Christian G. Nelson. Others participating in the service were Dan Tyson of Doane College, Malcolm White, E. Mehlhaff, John Becker and Superintendent L. M. Rymph.

Preceding the paper given by Mr. Turpin in the afternoon, Open House was held at the parsonage. A courtesy dinner was served at 6:00 p.m., followed by the installation service.



Rev. Nathanael Guptill

Ministers' Convocation

FEBRUARY 15, 16 AND 17, 1960

Highlighting the 34th Annual Washburn Ministers' Convocation to be held in Mid-February, will be the Rev. Nathanael M. Guptill, Associate Secretary and Minister of the General Council. As Director of the Department of the Ministry, Mr. Guptill oversees recruiting, training and maintenance of standards for parish ministers.

Following his graduation from Andover-Newton Seminary in 1943, Mr. Guptill served Congregational Churches in Maine and Massachusetts. He left First Church in Newton, Mass., to take up his present post in the spring of 1958. Topics for his presentations in February are: "Shop Talk On the Department of the Ministry", "What is An Ordained Minister?" and "Upon This Rock."

The Monday evening session will feature a talk, "Inside Russia" by the Rev. Oscar Bonny. The Rev. Elmo Paff will serve as Chaplain.

As usual, some 25 out-of-town ministers will be housed at the state parsonage. These sessions feature fellowship and are a "must" for new men who want to get acquainted. The dates — February 15, 16 and 17.

Ruth Wagner Returning

Miss Ruth Wagner, member of First Church, Topeka, formerly editor of The Kansas Teacher, has been spending three years teaching at the American Academy for Girls at Uskudar, Istanbul, Turkey. She wrote in September about her summer vacation and her future plans.

In July she had attended the Cragg Conference in Jesrusalem on Christian-Ismalic Communications and visited the historic places in that area. In August she enjoyed entertaining Rev. and Mrs. Ray Carleton Jones of Topeka, and many other guests. In September she had helped to welcome 26 old and new members of the mission staff coming in for the school term.

She writes: "As many of you already know, I am returning to the States on approximately January 1st to enter upon a new editorial post as associate editor of Friendship Press of the National Council of Churches of Christ, New York City. The invitation came to me 'out of the blue' last May, at a time when recruitment for my present post was well-nigh impossible, so I have continued here to 'tide over' until replacement can be found. Wherever I am, Turkey will always hold happy memories for me. Serving here has been one of the greatest privileges, and equally one of the greatest responsibilities of my life."

Pictured above are the Rev. and Mrs. Lyle Knaupp and son Peter. The Knaupps are serving our Tonganoxie Church.

Mid-West Regional

The Mid-West Regional meeting of the Missions Council was held in Oak Park, Illinois, October 13-15. The hospitality was both generous and warm. About 600 delegates registered.

Those attending from our Kansas churches were: Mr. Charles Gunn, pre-session for laymen; Mrs. Charles Graves, Mrs. Oscar Bonny, Mrs. Ada Forbes, Mrs. Roscoe Graves, Rev. Carl Hathaway, Rev. and Mrs. Ray Haun, Miss Alice Huggins, Dr. and Mrs. George Ogden Kirk, Mrs. Ralph Marlin, Rev. Elmo Paff, Mrs. George Rinner, Mrs. Donald Robertson and Dr. L. M. Rymph.

The program was slanted to the Board of Home Missions, as it is on alternate years, but both of this year's mission study themes were presented adequately, and there was considerable attention given to the Christian Higher Education Fund.

The presentations, for the most part, seemed to this observer to be cool and intellectual with only mild human interest appeal. Religion without emotion is in danger of having a two-dimentional quality instead of being full of life. Even Miss Lavina Scott from South Africa, who came directly from a region full of conflict and upset feelings, seemed undisturbed and objective. I thought this detracted from the sense of urgency that might have been expected in such a meeting.

In each day's program, the high points were the devotional services led by the new President of Chicago Theological Seminary, Dr. Howard Schomer. To have secured a leader of such quality promises great things for the seminary.

—Alice Huggins, Reporting.

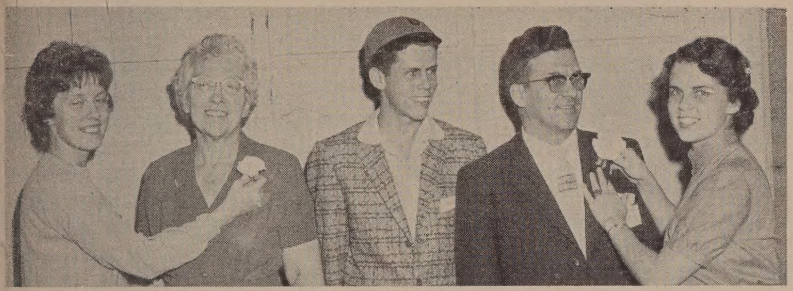
Wichita Girl to Kobe College

Patsy Joan Cooper of Wichita, a 1959 graduate of Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma, sailed October 4th to teach English for three years at Kobe College. Her high school work was at Benton, Kansas where she was president of her class, editor of the annual, and took part in all student activities. She continued all such interests while in the university, and was also active in church work. The past summer she was in a "Church in Urban Life" project at the Judson Memorial Church in New York City.

Do You Have

The new American Board Directory and Calendar of Prayer? It has been so popular that printings have run behind the orders, but you will get all you want soon. The Missionary Education Committee urges you to order directly from Boston where you can get 6 copies for $1.00. The Conference Office has a few copies for your convenience.

Parents Day at Doane



Barbara Cole with her mother, Mrs. John Cole of Gaylord, Kansas: George Cushing, Rev. Sam Cushing and Carmen Cushing of Hastings, Nebraska. The special program on the Campus was October 2.

Topeka U.S.F.

The newly formed United Student Fellowship of Washburn U. got off to a good beginning with a dinner meeting, October 20. The group made plans to carry through the first of December with Cindy Ewing, as the temporary chairman. Scheduled for Sunday evening programs are Merton French, and a special supper at the Rymph's on Nov. 8th. The group will be meeting at the dinner hour on Sundays and one Tuesday a month. Their next Tuesday evening meeting, Nov. 17th, will feature Oscar Bonny as the Guest Speaker on "Life Inside Russia." All college young people from Washburn are invited to participate in this new Congregational Fellowship Activity, centered at Central Church, under the sponsorship of Rev. Ned Burr McKenney and Rev. Jack Booch.

Secretary for Students

At a meeting on October 26 of the Conference Campus Ministry Committee, it was recommended that every church set up a Secretary or Committee for Students. Possible responsibilities as suggeted by the Rev. Hartland H. Helmick, Director of Campus Ministry for the United Church of Christ, are outlined in the following paragraphs.

Responsibility to the Home Church

Tell of your students' activities in the church newsletter.

Celebrate the World's Student Christian Federation Universal Day of Prayer on the third Sunday of February.

Display on your church bulletin boards materials being sent to students.

Provide holiday "welcome home" activities for students.

Help your church assume loan or scholarship responsibility for deserving young people.

Arrange for foreign students to have dinner or to spend the holiday with a family in your church.

Responsibility to Pilgrim Fellowship

Provide counsel for high school people selecting a college.

Take your young people to visit nearby colleges.

Provide them with information on church colleges.

Give your young people college catalogues, information about scholarships, etc.

Ask a nearby college faculty member to speak on what to expect of college.

Have students from college tell the Pilgrim Fellowship about their college experiences.

Ask a nearby campus minister to speak about opportunities for Christian growth while at college.

Responsibilty to the Students

Mail the home church Newsletter or bulletins to students away at school.

Request that the church give each student a subscription to Congregational Kansas.

Encourage the church to give financial aid to help sudents attend student Christian movement conferences.

Encourage the commuting student to participate in the student Christian groups at college, or organize a student Christian group in the home church.

When a student goes to college, inform his campus pastor.

Doug Gunn Reporting

A report from U.S.F. at Manhattan arrived recently on their glamorous letterheads accompanied by their attractive brochure. These pieces designed by their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Goertzen, went out in August, bearing a personal message to all C.C. and E&R preference Freshmen. Ninety-nine parents and students attended the first meeting—a dinner at the church. Since then about thirty have come out for each Sunday session where lively discussions on timely subjects have stimulated a maximum of participation. The student expresses grateful appreciation to the Manhattan Church and its College Board for their concern and cooperation in the student program.

At K. U

There are presently 550 C.C. and E & R preference students at Lawrence. The Campus Ministry Committee of Plymouth Church is working out plans for a full-time Campus Minister in the fall of 1960. This program will be made possible thru the local church, the Conference and the National Boards.

The U.S.F. program on Sunday evening is serving about 30 young people with a very worthwhile program of study and fellowship. In addition to teaching courses on the campus, the Rev. Paul Davis is leading a Campus "Y" study group and does considerable counselling of students.

"Are We Strangers"

This will be the theme of the Fall Conference of Kansas U.S.F. to be held November 22 at Central Church, Topeka with Sibyl Riekenberg, President presiding. Discussions will be based on the book, "In, But Not of The World", by Robert Spike.

Christian Vocations Confertnce

The Rev. Ed Mehlhaff of Russell will bring the keynote talk when Kansas young people interested in Church Vocations meet at Council Grove, November 20 and 21. His topic—"Why the Church?" Other leaders include Paul Davis, Floyd Davidson, Malcolm White, Bob Waters and W. S. Stevenson.

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"Our atomic age is like a knife: in the hands of a surgeon it can save a life; in the hands of an assassin it can take a life. But to blame the knife is ridiculous."

David Sarnoff

Kansas Women's Fellowship

Mrs. Roscoe W. Graves, President

Friendly Service

Do you realize that only 45% of the people of the world are Christian? Do you further realize that Christianity at present is on the brink of losing its wonderful philosophy of the teachings of Jesus.

These facts were brought out at the recent Mid-West Regional Conference at Oak Park, Illinois. Furthermore, unless we get more financial assistance, and immediately, many of our missions are going to be closed. Some of these were established as far back in 1842. They have been supported by our forefathers. Is it possible that we can sit back and see this happen?

Christianity must either go forward or backward—it can not stand still! Could it be that we are not practicing what we preach? If such is the case, it is probably due to a lack of knowledge of the situation, as we are known to be a generous people. We have made great personal sacrifices in time of war. Now is the time for great personal sacrifice to insure the peaceful way of living that Christ taught —the brotherhood of man, not just the brotherhood of the white man — but all men.

The quotas for Friendly Service this year call for a great deal of cash to be sent "in lieu of." In this country it is wise in many instances, because of high postage rates. In foreign countries it is necessary because of the very high duty imposed to protect the economy of their people. Then too, the US dollar in their country will buy $4.00 worth of food, clothing and supplies.

As you sit down to your own table and look across at your Susie or Joe, well-fed, sufficiently clothed, and with all of the advantages their Christian heritage has given them, ask yourself how well you would be able to receive the story of the Good Samaritan if their plates were empty — their bodies clothed in dirty rags — no doctor or medical supplies available, should they become ill — no schools for education — no church doors open where they could receive religious training to help them thru life.

It is certainly something to which we should all give serious consideration. As Christians, do we really have a choice? Remember too, that none of us chose to be born in this country nor did we have a choice of color. It could be we who are in need!

As the holiday season approaches, let us give so that others may receive. See to it that your good, clean outgrown or otherwise not wanted, clothing, gets to the church "closet for others." Go and help pack it and get it started on its destination. It will only take a little time and effort. Then, give of your money for "Friendly Service" with love in your hearts, not, as someone so ably put it, "until it hurts" but until you receive that "warm glow" that comes in knowing that you are sharing with your fellow man.

"Move We on Together"—remembering that which to some is the Golden Rule and to many others the Golden Law —

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

Mrs. G. E. Mills, Chairman

"And Gladly Serve"

"You are no longer Mrs. Timid. You were chosen because of some leadership ability. Be frank and honest, but kind and constructive." I've heard those words before; but I'm glad that Lucille Frost, Associate Secretary, National Women's Fellowship, repeated them just when she did. Scene: was the beautiful chapel of our church in Oak Park, Illinois. Time: Monday morning, October 12, 1959. Characters: (all women) were state and association presidents and state department of work chairmen from the 19 states of the mid-west region. Action: which followed was staged in separate workshops for each of the six departments of work for the presidents. In the Christian Education Workshop, I sought help for our local churches in Kansas.

Are you Christian Education Chairman for your local Fellowship? Have you been tempted to relax when your Fellowship had scheduled one program emphasizing Christian Education? You just can't do that! Please keep your ear to the ground or, better yet, your eye on "Congregational Kansas" and "Tomorrow" (ask the Conference Office to send it to you) for announcement about area previews of the new curriculum. Make it your job to see that the mothers, aunts and grandmothers in your church catch the spirit, the vision of this material. It promises to be a power tool for initiating children into the Christian Fellowship and all the glory of its gospel and its mission.

Are those Family Resource Books still gathering dust on church or home shelves? Their creative use could begin with you — and your children — or grandchildren. In a Minnesota Church, the Fall Family Resource Books were spread out in the narthex to be picked up by some member of each church school family. No doubt about whether your family's book was still there or not, because the family name was inscribed on it. Best promotion, everyone agreed at Oak Park, comes from the family which uses them. Can you and your family speak for the Family Resource Books?

Does Career Day in your local high school include Church Vocations? Don't guess; ask the man who knows. And that brings us right to the door of our young adults. "Encounter", college student publication, is written in their language. Some churches send it to all their college students. There is a copy of "Encounter" in the Packet. College students are working young adults who have not yet established their own homes, need to feel the loving interest of their home church. If they have strayed, eventuallly they will come back to the church which keeps in touch with them. Who, besides the minister, keeps in touch with the young adults of your church.

Please now, read Lucille Frost's admonition again and bestir yourself. You might begin by dropping a line to the Christian Education Chairman of your Association. Tell her what's going on in your Fellowship and what she can do to help you.

Mrs. Charles S. Graves,
Secretary, Christian Education,
Kansas Women's Fellowship
1413 Caledon,
Topeka, Kansas

P.S. Local church bulletins which land in my mailbox are read with interest. If I'm not on your mailing list, I'd like to be.

Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship

Dick Epps, President **Linda Wheeler, Secretary**

Orchids to Linda

Linda Wheeler, our State Secretary pictured at right deserves our thanks and salutations for the many hours she has put in compiling the HANDBOOK and mailing list and getting out the Newsletter. She works very quietly, but so diligently. Thank you, Linda.

Linda Wheeler

Youth Week - 1960

The Youth Week Packet from the National UCYM Board is now out. There are some excellent materials for use during the week January 31-February 7. Among the ideas contained is an ecumenical service of worship which may be helpful in your church. Some valuable information on resources for youth group programs is to be found in a "Youth Week Guide for 1960." Also included in the packet are some very frank dialogues between people of various nations, and a radio play for presentation by your group.

Julie Nicholson, Fellowship Chairman

You will certainly be able to use the fine poster which announces our theme, "The Kingdom on Earth" with ideas built around inter-racial brotherhood and World Peace.

The major value of this packet is an "idea stimulator", a point of departure from which you can begin to develop your own ideas.

Order your Packet today from the National Council of Churches, 257 - 4th Ave., New York 10, N. Y. The price is only $1.00.

Jack Booch,
State Sponsor

Dear Kansas P.F.

I certainly want to thank good old Kansas P.F. and the church, not only for the $1500 you have invested in me since I started my higher education, but for helping me to know God in my life as revealed by Jesus Christ. I thank you for giving me the opportunity to worship Him only and study His truth and for inspiring me to dedicate myself to do His will. I am indebted to P.F. for my desire to witness to the message and mission of the church to all people, and for the opportunity to serve the world in His name, to strive toward the establishment of brotherhood, justice and peace, and to cooperate with all who seek to extend the Christian fellowship. It is the church through Pilgrim Fellowship that has made clear to me the purpose of my life.

Yours in Christian Fellowship,
David W. Cutting

Work Day for Christ

Work Day For Christ made history at Olive Hill Church — it was the first time the youth of the church had participated in this project. The "Day" was started with Bonnie Headrick, Phyllis Stone and Alicia Andrews, and their sponsor, having devotions at the church, while 8 others of the group were using the same devotions, but at their farm jobs. Sunday the $31.00 dedicated made the entire church conscious that for the first time, the "Our" of Our Christian World Mission, included them.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Whitewater P.F'ers have reached the $100.00 mark or over in their Work Day Project. This year their check was for $115,00. They had more work than the 22 Pilgrims could do.

Whitewater's "Littlest" Pilgrims

The "activity" around the parsonage aroused the "work" idea in Donna and Debby Poppe, and their playmates, Susan Davis and Helen Bidwell who said, "Mr. Poppe, us kids are Working for Jesus, too. We're hauling cans out of your garage." The picture shows them trying to load a bushel of cans on one toy wagon. After collecting 20 cents each they wanted to put the money in the box with the other PF money. Kansas P.F is real proud of its "littlest" Pilgrims.

Preparation for Marriage Pamphlets

The Department of the Christian Family has prepared a series of leaflets for use in the field of family life education. Following are the titles:

"Sex Facts for Adolescents" by Elizabeth and William Genne
"Data for Dating" by Paul H. Landis
"Going Steady" by C. Newman Hogle
"How Do I Know It's Love " by Clark Ellzey
"Now You Are Engaged" by Olive M. Butterfield
"What Is a Christian Home" by Earl H. Furgeson

Prices are: 20 cents a dozen or $1.00 a hundred for any leaflet or assortment. Sets of one each (in attractive envelope) are 15 cents each.

Order from: Family Life Dept., Room 805, 14 Beacon St., Boston 8, Mass.

—Photo Courtesy Wichita Eagle

Pictured above are Rev. Norman Manz (left) pastor of the E. and R. Church at Cheney and Rev. Elmo Paff, pastor of Mayflower Congregational Church. Mr. Manz is District Supervisor of CROP and Mr. Paff is Chairman of the Sedgwick County CROP Committee.

Wentlings to New Parish

The Rev. Richard Wentling, for the past 3 years minister of our Muscotah Church, has been called to the Smith Center-Athol parish and will begin leadership there the last Sunday in November.

Mr. Wentling is a graduate of Sophia University in Tokyo, Japan and has studied at Central Baptist Seminary. In May, 1959, he was granted Limited Ordination by Eastern Association.

The Wentlings have three children - David, age 6, Daniel, age 2 and Marilyn Marie - 1 year.

Steve Williams Improving

The Rev. S. J. Williams of Emporia who suffered a heart attack in September, has been home from the hospital since the middle of October. He is under strict orders to rest and is not yet allowed visitors, as we go to press.

Dr. Ruth Grobe of the faculty of College of Emporia, an ordained Presbyterian Minister is filling the pulpit at Emporia.

Activity At Topeka Seaman

On October 19, 1958, a Building Fund Campaign was sponsored by the church looking forward to the construction of a much needed addition of a new Religious Education unit. On October 19, 1959 actual work was started on the new project. It will be 62 by 52 feet, a two level structure, built directly north of the present building. It will provide facilities for all grade children, up to but not including, Junior High level. It is to be completed by June 1960.

Several things have been happening at Seaman during the past several months which have added beauty and color to the church property. The parsonage has been redecorated from basement to attic; the parsonage and church have been painted on the outside; a new walk has been constructed west of the parsonage; new parking area east and west of the church; new dossal cloth and altar were purchased for the chancel; a new Abiding Memorial Book; the church constitution has been restudied and revised and a new constitution developed for the Church School.

Rev. Ray Haun — reporting

"Adoption"

The Youth Class of the Olive Hill Church has "adopted" Rev. and Mrs. Richard W. Sales, who are serving in a rural area near the Ifafa river, south of Durbin, at Natal, South Africa. Mr. Sales mentioned the need for sports equipment and the Olive Hill church is planning a project to buy some equipment. Mrs. Bernice Post, recently returned from this mission after 3 years of teaching, and now living at Naponee, Nebraska, will show slides and speak at the church in February.

The Charles Holbrook Library
Pacific School of Religion
1708 Scenic Ave.
Berkeley 9, Calif.

Memorial Rooms

On October 25 at Mayflower Church, two roo s were dedicated in Memory of R ert Christenson and Jerry Neptun charter members of the church. Rev. Elmo Paff, Minister, presided. Mayflower Church was four years old the first Sunday in October.

Almena Family Night

On October 11, an exciting evening on the Homeland Theme, "The Church in Town and Country" featured a panel on the Oberlin T. and C. Convocation by the Rev. C. G. Nelson and Rev. John Becker, pastor of the Almena Church. A playlet, "Why Teach in Sunday School" written by Mrs. Opal Gutzman, was given.

Mount Hope

On October 18, Laymen's Sunday was observed with 3 men taking charge of the morning services. The theme, "You Are Called" was given. "You Are Called to Service" by Bruce Mock, "You Are Called to Witness" by Raymond Grier, and "You Are Called to Worship" by Loren Elliott. Dr. Elmer Kirkpatrick is the minister.

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All these things we're reading in the paper about juvenile delinquency just shows that some parents just aren't getting to the SEAT of the trouble.

New Visual Aid

The Bantu Peoples of Sout Africa: A filmstrip with script, 6 frames in color of the story of man tribes. their ancestry, origins, belief and customs, and how they are makin the transition from the stone age t Atomic Age. (Youth and Adults)

Impact

"The impact of Akka (Lillian Pick en) is still with us. The vitality an enthusiasm generated by her canno help but rub off, just a little, on mos of us. Those of you who misse Sunday's Planning Conference misse a golden opportunity to stretch you mind and spiritual resources.

She, as no one else could possibl do, with the broad stroke of her verb al brush, has given us reasons why w will want to be more generous in ou mission giving. The sad fact is, unti now, our mission giving has been th "starving orphan" of our concern i the Congregational fellowship." (fron Welborn Visitor by Thomas J Waters).

The above "impact" experience coul be voiced by many other churche where Miss Picken has visited durin her weeks in Kansas. We thank he for coming; we express our deep appre ciation to Colonial Church and th Flemmings of Prairie Village fo having her and sharing her.